Office Of The Governor

WHERAS, The backbone of our glorious nation is the strength and unifying permanence of the family unit; and,

WHEREAS, For most South Dakotans, the family is a place of comfort and solace; it serves as our shelter and our guide down the pathways of life; and,

WHEREAS, Though families may split apart in a geographical sense, distance cannot break the powerful bonds of emotional and spiritual iogetherness; and,

WHEREAS, The truly devoted family, no matter how scattered by time and space, will make frequent attempts to "keep the lines open," occasionally gathering together to celebrate their lives and loves for one another; and,

WHEREAS, Such is the case in the Earley family, a large and loving group of close-knit kin, some traveling from as far away as Haymarket, Virginia, purely to share the pleasures and rewards of each other's company during this irish family's celebration; and,

WHEREAS, They range in age from three months to 68 years, but they all share a common heritage; they all began as a family of six children, living and growing in the great Irish tradition, and learning the importance of sharing and caring for one another; and,

WHEREAS, This summer, the Earley family is back together; backpacking, barbecuing, playing games, and telling tall tales and Irish jokes at Palmer's Gulch Resort in Hill City, South Dakota:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 26, 1983, as

EARLEY FAMILY REUNION DAY

in South Dakota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of June, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JAHKLOW, GOVERNOR

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